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n re Application: McKee and Edlund

Attorney Docket No.: PCRC18521

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING THE OCCURRENCE OF SURGE IN A CENTRIFUGAL COMPRESSOR

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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I believe I am the original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

"METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DECTECTING THE OCCURRENCE OF SURGE IN A CENTRIFUGAL COMPRESSOR"

the specification of which:

- () is attached hereto.
- (X) was filed on February 26, 2002, as Application Serial NO. 10/083,232.
- () was described and claimed in PCT International Application NO. filed on and as amended under PCT Article 19 on (if any.)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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Number Claimed

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- () continuation-in-part (CIP)

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